

VSP Public Comment

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Should California reject the proposed Diebold system? Vote=Yes

How long must we put up with Diebold at all? They have demonstrated time and time again that they are totally dishonest, profoundly corrupt, and absolutely unwilling to meet the minimum standards for a voting system that is simple to use, verifiable by the voter as to his/her individual ballot, and above all verifiable as to its operating system and programming, as well as being as impossible to hack as can be done.

This partisan company, with its refusal to make its code public and verifiable -- their whining about it being proprietary is just so much Bush manure! -- should be greeted with the contempt that it deserves. The company itself, should be forever barred from doing business in California -- a clearly reasonable punishment for the hyping and lying (and corrupting of public officials) that they have already done!

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Citizen Proposed Standards:

The AVVPAT shall be printed on single sheet non-thermal at least 16 pound paper, one record of vote per sheet.

Every recorded vote, no matter how recorded, shall have a AVVPAT copy.

The AVVPAT record of the vote shall be printed in a minimum of 12 point font.

The AVVPAT shall be printed and organized to be easily read by both the voter and election officials.

The AVVPAT during the 1% manual audit and any recount shall be physically verified and hand counted only.

The recorded vote choices on the AVVPAT shall not be audited or recounted by automatic or electronic methods.

There shall not be a method by which any particular voting record can be connected to any particular voter.

Any AVVPAT spoiled or rejected by a voter because of a voting system error shall not be counted as a spoiled ballot under the two spoiled ballots limit.

No remote access to voting machines by wireless or internet.